

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

Washington 25, D.C.

28 February 1958

MEMORANDUM FOR: Members of the Chapter IX Subcommittee

SUBJECT: Minutes of Chapter IX Subcommittee Meeting, 14 February 1958.

1. Meeting Held 14 February 1958

A meeting of the Chapter IX Subcommittee was held at 1400 on 14 February 1958. The following were in attendance:

Mr. John Buoncristiani	ACIC (alternate member)
Mr. Alvin A. Munn	ACSI (member)
Dr. E.A. Stoneman	AMS
Mr. William Molo	AWS (member)
Miss Mary Sensing	USNHO Charts (member)
Mr. William H. Meyers	USNHO Oceanography (member)
Col. John Lafon	OCE
	CIA (chairman)
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2. NIS Chapter I Annuals

The Chairman reported that the Section 19 portion of the Annual for Poland was very favorably received by the Chapter I Coordinator at CBI and by the Chairman of the NIS Committee. The members of the Chapter IX Subcommittee were commended by the Chairman for the quality of the Section 19 contributions and the promptness with which they had complied with this additional requirement.

The Chairman reported also that the NIS Committee at the 11 February meeting had decided that an Annual for an additional area should be prepared in order further to estimate the time and effort that would be required for an Annual program. NIS 42, Thailand, was discussed as a possible selection for the second Annual but was subsequently dropped in favor of NIS 35, India. The due date for submission of material to CBI was established as 1 April; contributions for Section 19 are therefore due in the Chapter IX Coordinator's office on or before 14 March. The cutoff date of research is 15 February.

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3. Revision of Map-Scale Definitions

The Chairman announced that the recommendation concerning map-scale definitions that was forwarded by the Chapter IX Subcommittee on 5 December 1957 had been considered and adopted by the NIS Committee on 17 December 1957. The definitions will supersede those given in Chapter IX Memo No. 13, 18 April 1955, which will be revised in the near future.

The Chairman proposed that the new definitions be put into effect for Chapter IX purposes with the Chapter IX of NIS 102 and the Section 19 of NIS 45. The members of the Subcommittee agreed to this proposal.

4. Change in Placement of Chapter IX of NIS 13A^M on FY 1960 Forecast

The Chairman stated that the NIS Committee had made a change (November 1957) in the Chapter I planning and had placed NIS 13A, East Germany, on the FY 1959 schedule. He pointed out that an adjustment in the Chapter IX forecast for FY 1960 should be made to prevent the preparation of a Section 19 before the Chapter IX research is complete. He proposed therefore that placement of the Chapters IX for 53^M and 13A^M be reversed, so that the contributions to Chapter IX and Section 19 of NIS 13A may be prepared concurrently. The members agreed to this proposal (see Enclosure), which will be forwarded to the NIS Committee for approval.

5. Planning for Chapter IX, NIS 26

The Chairman stated that most of the Chapter IX Subcommittee members had exchanged outlines prior to the meeting indicating the proposed treatment of the various subjects of their responsibility within the framework of the planning for NIS 26, Chapter IX, to date, i.e., publication of the Chapter IX in three parts -- I, General; II, European U.S.S.R.; and III, Asiatic U.S.S.R. He pointed out that there was considerable disparity in the proposed treatment and suggested that each member present the proposals of his agency.

After a lengthy discussion, it was apparent that there was considerable difference of opinion, particularly on the separation of the Section 90 material into the three proposed Parts. Each agency had obviously given much thought to the adaptation of their material to the three Parts and to a separate outline for each, but the detailed consideration pointed up many previously unforeseen difficulties. Some of the contributors were agreeable to the three-part division, with 75% or 80% coverage the arbitrary criterion for inclusion in the Part I, but stated that it might result in having all the material from a contributor in Parts II and III only and no coverage of the subject in the Section 90 of the Part I. There was also discussion of putting all the Section 90 material in Part I only.

Because of these differences of opinion that were based on a thorough investigation of the problem, it was proposed that the Subcommittee reconsider its original recommendation that the Chapter IX of NIS 26 be

separated into parts by area. After discussion, it was unanimously agreed that the Subcommittee should resubmit the problem to the NIS Committee, with the following revised proposals:

- a. Abandon the proposal that the Chapter be divided into three Parts by areal coverage of the maps, each part comprising a complete Chapter IX outline.
- b. Integrate all the information for the NIS 26 Area under the subject headings as given in the Chapter IX Outline and Outline Guide and treat the Chapter IX as a unit.
- c. Wherever advisable have a breakdown by area under the subject heading, with these area breakdowns generally paralleling the previous planning -- overall coverage, European U.S.S.R., and Asiatic U.S.S.R.
- d. For the convenience of the reader, publish the Chapter in four volumes as follows: 1) Section 90; 2) Section 91 (headings A and B of the outline); 3) Section 91 (headings C-F of the outline); and 4) Section 92 (all the graphics).
- e. Retain the credit for five Chapters IX as approved for the earlier proposal, since the volume of work will be the same.
- f. Change the 1961 forecast as follows:

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103 South Pacific Islands
26^M Part I U.S.S.R., General
50A Ghana and Togoland
26^M Part II European U.S.S.R.
39B^M Nationalist China
26^M Part III Asiatic U.S.S.R.

103 South Pacific Islands
50A Ghana and Togoland
39B^M Nationalist China
26^M U.S.S.R.

An additional consideration of the Subcommittee is the suitability of the existing U.S.S.R. base maps for indexing the materials for a composite Chapter IX. Each member agreed to consult with his agency and to report the results to the Chief of the Coordination Staff by 3 March.

6. U.S.S.R. Mapping of Other Countries

The Army comments on the NIS 26 planning contained a paragraph recommending that the mapping being done by the U.S.S.R. for other countries be included in the Chapter IX under "programs under way or projected." The AWS member pointed out that this information is included in the Chapters IX for each of the countries concerned. The Army suggestion was received favorably by some of the members, but it was general opinion that this type of information, if included at all, should remain very generalized, merely an indication of activity. Whether or not this recommendation should also be extended to other Chapters IX will be considered at a later date.

7. Comments on Army Contributions

The OCE representative made several observations concerning the Army contributions to the geodetic and aerial-photography portions of the Chapter IX, and indicated ways in which the Army plans to improve the presentation of data on these subjects. He also proposed that the detailed tabular listing of available aerial photography be included under a new heading in the Section 91, and that the discussion of aerial photography in the Section 90 be in general terms. This proposal was received favorably by the Subcommittee, with details to be worked out later.

The OCE representative also felt that more attention should be given in the Section 90 of the Chapter IX to the inclusion of statements that give an overall appreciation of the mapping of the country.

The above comments reflect some of the opinions of a special committee created by the Army for study of the Army contributions to Chapters IX and Sections 19.

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WIS Chapter IX Coordinator

Enclosure:

Revised FY 1960 Chapter IX
Forecast.